In the Claims

The status of claims in the case is as follows:

1   1.   [Currently amended]   A method for defining a theme and
2   associating it with a collaboration space, comprising:

3   said theme including a predetermined set of files
4   including a style sheet and a predetermined set group
5   of layout files, with a layout file for each of a
6   plurality of view modes of operation, each said layout
7   file specifying content and layout of a plurality of
8   skin components including logo, table of contents,
9   action bar, tool bar, and page content skin components,
10   and said predetermined set of layout files including at
11   least a page view mode layout file and a page edit mode
12   layout files, said common style sheet page specifying
13   font, size and color style for said skin components
14   common to each of said view modes of operation;

15   presenting to a user interface a gallery of themes from
16   which a user may choose a visual site design for
17   rendering said collaboration space to said user
18   selectively in each of said view modes of operation;

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19   rendering each said layout file to a browser for user

20   definition of said view modes of operation by providing

21   for each said layout file which skin components to use

22   and their respective locations, each of a plurality of

23   said skin components comprising a plurality selectively

24   of HTML tags and Java script within a skin component

25   tag; and

26   uploading said theme to said collaboration space.

1   2.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 1, said

2   collaboration space being a place.

1   3.   [Original] The method of claim 2, said place being a

2   file directory.

1   4.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 2, further

2   comprising the step of:

3   dragging and dropping said theme from a user desktop to

4   an output control for uploading to a collaboration

5   space server.

1   5.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 1, further

2   comprising the step of organizing said collaboration space

3   according to an object model including place, room, folder,

4   page, member, form, field, placetype, roomtype, skin, and

5   placebot objects.

1   6.   [Currently amended] The method of claim 1, said <u>skin</u>

2   components comprising logo, table of contents, action bar,

3   tool bar, and page content components, and said layout files

4   comprising page view, page edit, list folder view, headline

5   folder view, and slide show folder layout files.

1   7.   [Canceled]

1   8.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 2, further

2   comprising the steps of:

3   integrating said collaboration space with an existing

4   web site by including in selective layout files links

5   to network resources.

1   9.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 1, further

2   comprising the step of:

3   uploading said theme to a server for caching in a cache

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4   of themes.

1   10.   [Previously presented]   The method of claim 1, further
2   comprising the step of:

3   presenting to a user interface a gallery of themes from
4   which a user may choose and optionally tweak a visual
5   site design for rendering said collaboration space to
6   said user.

1   11.   [Previously amended]   The method of claim 10, further
2   comprising the steps of:

3   tweaking a theme by selecting basic property changes
4   through said user interface to specific classes of a
5   style sheet; and

6   operating a collaboration space server to feed said
7   changes to said style sheet.

1   12.   [Currently amended]   A method for defining a theme for
2   style and layout of a collaboration space user interface,
3   comprising the steps of:

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4   said theme including a common style sheet page and a

5   predetermined set group of layout files for rendering

6   pages of collaboration space at a user interface

7   selectively according to a predetermined set of modes;

8   organizing skin components in said layout files into a

9   plurality of modes for said user interface, said modes

10   including page view, page edit, list folder view,

11   headline folder view, and slide show folder view, said

12   skin components comprising logo, table of contents,

13   action bar, tool bar, and page content skin components,

14   said common style sheet page specifying font, size and

15   color style for said skin components common to each of

16   said view modes of operation; each of said skin

17   components comprising a plurality selectively of HTML

18   tags and Java script contained within a skin component

19   tag;

20   rendering each said layout file to a browser for user

21   definition of said view modes of operation by

22   specifying in each said layout file skin component

23   positioning in said user interface;

24   specifying font, size and color style in said common

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25   style sheet page; and

26   importing said theme into collaboration space.

1   13. [Previously presented] The method of claim 12, further
2   comprising the steps of:

3   rendering each said skin component individually
4   addressable.

1   14. [Previously presented] The method of claim 12, further
2   comprising the steps of:

3   rendering in said theme said layout files and style
4   sheet pages responsive to collaboration space tags; and

5   responsive to a request from a user, importing said
6   theme into a place for instantiating said user
7   interface.

1   15. [Previously presented] The method of claim 14, further
2   comprising the step of providing links from said theme to
3   other collaboration space and system resources.

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1   16.   [Previously presented]   The method of claim 14, further

2   comprising the step of:

3   responsive to said theme, rendering said collaboration

4   space to said user through said user interface.

1   17.   [Previously presented]   The method of claim 16, further

2   comprising the steps of:

3   presenting to said user a gallery of themes from which

4   to choose a visual site design for expressing the

5   identity and suiting the work to be done by a project

6   or team.

1   18.   [Previously presented]   The method of claim 16, further

2   comprising the step of

3   presenting to said user a gallery of themes from which

4   to choose a visual site design for rebranding a

5   collaboration space for inhouse applications.

1   19.   [Previously presented] The method of claim 16, further

2   comprising the step of

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3   presenting said collaboration space to said user

4   through a theme tailored to the identity of said user.

1   20. [Previously presented] The method of claim 19, said

2   theme structuring said interface for communication with a

3   physically challenged user.

1   21. [Original] The method of claim 16, further comprising

2   the steps of:

3   developing a theme for applying a common look and feel

4   to multiple layouts by applying code from one layout to

5   all layouts for which a file has not been explicitly

6   supplied.

1   22. [Original] The method of claim 18, further comprising

2   the steps of:

3   including in said gallery of themes a default style

4   sheet including a plurality of selectors;

5   for specific selectors in a user style sheet tweaked by

6   said user, changing said specific selectors; and

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7   for other selectors in said user style sheet not

8   tweaked by said user, using a corresponding selector

9   from said default style sheet in said user style sheet.

1   23.   [Currently amended] System for designing a theme and

2   associating it with a collaboration space user interface,

3   comprising:

4   said theme including a style sheet and a ~~group~~

5   <u>predetermined set</u> of layout files;

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7   said common style sheet page for defining a plurality

8   of different display modes for said user interface,

9   said layout files including a layout file for a

10   plurality of modes of operation, said modes of

11   operation including page view, page edit, list folder

12   view, headline folder view, and slide show folder view,

13   and each said layout file including a plurality of

14   components including logo, side bar, page content,

15   action bar, and tool bar components<u>, each of a</u>

16   <u>plurality of said components comprising selectively</u>

17   <u>HTML and Java script contained within a skin component</u>

18   <u>tag</u>;

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20   a browser for rendering each said layout file to a user

21   for definition of said view modes of operation by

22   specifying in said layout files components positioning

23   within said user interface;

24   said common style sheet page specifying font, size and

25   color style for said components; and

26   an upload control for uploading said theme to said

27   collaboration space.

1   24.   [Currently amended] The upload control of the system

2   of claim 23, further ~~for for~~ for receiving said layout files

3   from a local storage for uploading to a collaboration space

4   server.

1   25.   [Previously presented] The system of claim 24, further

2   comprising:

3   a drag and drop facility for dragging and dropping said

4   layout files from a desktop to said output control.

1   26.   [Canceled]

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1   27.   [Original]   The system of claim 23, said collaboration

2   space being structured according to an object model

3   selectively including place, room, folder, page, member,

4   form, field, placetype, roomtype, skin, and placebot

5   objects.

1   28.   [Previously presented]   The system of claim 23, said

2   components consisting of logo, table of contents, actions,

3   tools, and page content.

1   29.   [Previously presented]   The system of claim 23, said

2   theme consisting of a page read mode, page edit mode, a

3   folder list and response, a folder headline, and a folder

4   slide show pages and a style sheet page for defining said

5   look and feel of said user interface and for providing links

6   to other collaboration space resources.

1   30.   [Original]   The system of claim 27, further comprising:

2   a main room having a first theme for defining its look

3   and feel;

4   a subroom linked to said main room;

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5   said subroom inheriting said first theme unless a

6   custom theme has been defined for said subroom.

1   31.   [Currently amended]   A program storage device readable

2   by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions

3   executable by a machine to perform operations for defining a

4   theme for layout of collaboration space user interface

5   components, comprising:

6   constructing said theme to include a common style sheet

7   page and a group of layout files;

8   rendering each said layout file to a browser for user

9   definition of said view modes of operation by defining

10   for each said layout file which skin components to use

11   and their respective locations, said skin components

12   including logo, side bar, page content, action bar, and

13   tool bar components, said components comprising logo,

14   table of contents, action bar, tool bar, and page

15   content components, and said layout files including at

16   least page view mode and page edit mode layout files,

17   said common style sheet page specifying font, size and

18   color style for said components common to each of said

19   view modes of operation;

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21   defining said group of layout files to include a layout

22   file for each of page view, page edit, list folder

23   view, headline folder view, and slide show folder view

24   modes of operation;

25   defining in said style sheet formatting characteristics

26   of said skin components, each of a plurality of said

27   skin components including selectively HTML and Java

28   script contained with a respective skin component tag;

29   and

30   uploading said theme into collaboration space.

1   32. [Currently amended] A program storage device readable

2   by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions

3   executable by a machine to perform operations for

4   controlling style and layout of a collaboration space user

5   interface, said method steps comprising:

6   rendering each said layout file to a browser for user

7   definition of said view modes of operation by defining

8   for each said layout file which skin components to use

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9   and their respective locations, said skin components

10   including logo, side bar, page content, action bar, and

11   tool bar components, said components comprising logo,

12   table of contents, action bar, tool bar, and page

13   content components, said layout files including at

14   least page view mode and page edit mode layout files,

15   said common style sheet page specifying font, size and

16   color style for said components common to each of said

17   view modes of operation, and each of a plurality of

18   said components including a plurality of HTML

19   statements contained with a skin component tag;

20   organizing skin components in said layout files for

21   establishing a plurality of different display modes for

22   said user interface, said modes including page view,

23   page edit, list folder view, headline folder view, and

24   slide show folder view;

25   specifying in each said layout file skin component

26   positioning in said user interface;

27   specifying font, size and color style in said common

28   style sheet page; and

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29   importing said theme into collaboration space.

33-34.   [Canceled]